Giving a book, whether in print format or digital format, as a gift is, to my way of thinking, one of the most generous and unselfish acts a person can do. As a public librarian, I am proud of the fact that while libraries essentially provide information and entertainment and services, it is HOW they are provided that is a cornerstone of a democratic society - without any strings attached.

"Information is the currency of democracy"

Thomas Jefferson (1743-1826)

"Knowledge is power"

Sir Francis Bacon (1561-1626)

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